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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A ferroelectric memory, comprising:

an insulation film having a concave portion at a top surface; and

a laminated body obtained by laminating a plurality of layers on said top surface and

etching a region of said plurality of layers corresponding to a region other than said concave

portion, wherein said laminated body includes a lower electrode layer which is made of a gel

dry film and brought into contact with a bottom surface of said concave portion, a

ferroelectric layer formed on said lower electrode layer and an upper electrode layer formed

on said ferroelectric layer, wherein a portion of said lower electrode layer is only embedded

in said concave portion, and protrudes outward from an inner peripheral edge forming said

concave portion, and a side of said portion of said lower electrode layer, a side of said

ferroelectric layer and a side of said upper electrode layer are flush with each other.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) A ferroelectric memory, comprising:

an insulation film having a hollow at a top surface; and

a laminated body obtained by laminating a plurality of layers on said top surface and

etching a region of said plurality of layers corresponding to a region other than said hollow,

wherein said laminated body includes a lower electrode layer, a ferroelectric layer formed on

said lower electrode layer and an upper electrode layer formed on said ferroelectric layer, and

said lower electrode layer includes a first electrode portion formed <u>by a sol-gel technique</u>

only at a corner of said hollow and a second portion formed on said first electrode portion.

4 (Previously Amended) A ferroelectric memory, comprising:

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a laminated body obtained by laminating a plurality of layers on said top surface and etching a region of said plurality of layers corresponding to a region other than said concave portion, wherein said laminated body includes a lower electrode layer which is brought into contact with a bottom surface of said concave portion, thin film of a same material as that of said lower electrode layer formed on a surface of said lower electrode layer, a ferroelectric layer formed on said thin film and an upper electrode layer formed on said ferroelectric layer, and a side of said thin film, a side of said ferroelectric layer and a side of said upper electrode layer are tlush with each other.

 (Previously Amended) A ferroelectric memory, comprising: an insulation film having a concave portion at a top surface; and

a laminated body obtained by laminating a plurality of layers on said top surface and etching a region of said plurality of layers corresponding to a region other than said concave portion, wherein said laminated body includes a lower electrode layer which is brought into contact with a bottom surface of said concave portion, a ferroelectric layer formed on said lower electrode layer and an upper electrode layer formed on said ferroelectric layer, wherein said lower electrode layer and said insulation film at respective top surfaces are planarized flush with each other, and a side of said ferroelectric layer and a side of said upper electrode layer are flush with each other.